

911 EMS Provider Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) Patient Assessment and Transportation Guidelines



Medical Dispatch, EMT or Paramedic determines if patient meets suspect EVD criteria

Fever, headache, joint and muscle aches, weakness, fatigue, diarrhea, vomiting, stomach pain and lack of appetite, and in some cases, bleeding

<u>AND</u>

Confirmed travel to West Africa (Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Mali) within 21 days (3 weeks) of symptom onset

If patient meets above criteria:

Implement recommended use of PPE against Ebola exposure during assessment, transport and treatment

PPE - Any combination of the following to eliminate any skin and mucous membrane exposure:

Level C splash protection Full body suit

Double gloves Boots and boot covers

Hooded face shield or similar that covers the front and sides of the face

N95 mask (fluid resistant) or APR/PAPR/SCBA respirator

IMMEDIATELY contact assigned base hospital and consult for further treatment needs and necessity for immediate transport to the MAR.

If patient's condition DOES NOT warrant immediate transport, 911 provider, in consultation with the base hospital, should contact Public Health from the field.

Consult with Public Health by calling ACDC:

(213) 240-7941 (Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) or (213) 974-1234 (nights and weekends) ask to speak to Public Health AOD

If Public Health confirms patient is a suspect EVD case:

- 1. Notify receiving hospital (MAR)
- 2. Arrange ambulance transport through:

For Fire Departments utilizing Exclusive
Operating Area Ambulance Provider (EOA)
American Medical Response, Care Ambulance,
Schaefer Ambulance, and WestMed McCormick

OR

For Fire Departments needing transportation: EMS Agency's Central Dispatch Office (CDO)

(866) 941-4401

Request for a High Risk EOA Ambulance

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Provide the following information to EOA Provider or CDO:

- 1. Patient information (name, sex, patient location)
- 2. Phone number to contact the person requesting transport
- 3. Phone number for jurisdictional dispatch center